

## STATE OF WASHINGTON PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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June 9, 2016

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Subject: PDC Case 5514

Dear Mr. McCallum:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) has completed its initial review of the complaint you filed on May 26, 2016. Your complaint alleged that Bill Elfo may have violated RCW 42.17A.234 and .240 by late filing campaign contributions and expenditures.

PDC staff reviewed your allegations to determine whether a formal investigation or enforcement action is warranted. As a result of staff's initial review, we found the following:

- The Elfo campaign filed four reports late totaling \$85.
- According to a statement from the campaign, available on the PDC web site, Mr. Elfo's treasurer was busy with family matters at the time of the filing deadline and reported late when made aware of the issue.
- Although reported late, all campaign activity was available to the public by the time the complaint was filed.

Based on these initial findings, I have determined the Elfo campaign substantially complied with applicable requirements by filing campaign reports. Mr. Elfo will receive a reminder of the importance of following PDC laws and rules in future campaigns.

For this reason, the PDC has closed the matter, and will not be conducting a more formal investigation into your complaint. If you have questions, you may contact Jacob Berkey at toll-free at 1-877-601-2828, or by e-mail at Jacob.berkey@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Jacob Berkey Compliance Staff Endorsed by,

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